

SHO

It is not credible that the Phœnicians, who had established colonies in the Persian gulph, stopt *short*, without pushing their trade to the Indies.

Doing is expressly commanded, and no happiness allowed to any thing *short* of it.

The signification of words will be allowed to fall much *short* of the knowledge of things.

6. Not far distant in time.

He commanded those, who were appointed to attend him, to be ready by a *short* day.

7. Defective; imperfect.

8. Scanty; wanting.

The English were inferior in number, and grew *short* in their provisions.

They *short* of succours, and in deep despair, Shook at the dismal prospect of the war.

9. Not fetching a compass.

So soon as ever they were gotten out of the hearing of the cock, the lion turned *short* upon him, and tore him to pieces.

He seiz'd the helm, his fellows cheer'd, Turn'd *short* upon the shelves, and madly steer'd.

For turning *short*, he struck with all his might Pull on the helmet of th' unwary knight.

10. Not going so far as was intended.

Who fees before his eyes the depth below, Stops *short*.

11. Defective as to quantity.

When the fleece is shorn, When their defenceless limbs the brambles tear, *Short* of their wool, and naked from the shear.

12. Narrow; contracted.

Men of wit and parts, but of *short* thoughts and little meditation, are apt to distrust every thing for a fancy.

They, since their own *short* understandings reach No farther than the present, think ev'n the wife Like them disclose the secrets of their breasts.

13. Brittle; friable.

His flesh is not firm, but *short* and tasteless.

Marl from Derbyshire was very fat, though it had so great a quantity of sand, that it was so *short*, that, if you wet it, you could not work it into a ball, or make it hold together.

14. Not bending.

The lance broke *short*, the beast then bellow'd loud, And his strong neck to a new onset bow'd.

SHORT. *n. f.* [from the adjective.] A summary account.

The *short* and long is our play is prefer'd.

In *short*, she makes a man of him at sixteen, and a boy all his life after.

If he meet with no reply, you may conclude that I trust to the goodness of my cause: the *short* on't is, 'tis indifferent to your humble servant whatever your party says.

From Medway's pleasing stream To Severn's roar he thine:

In *short*, restore my love, and share my kingdom.

The propeties and delicacies of the English are known to few: 'tis impossible even for a good wit to understand and practise them, without the help of a liberal education and long reading; in *short*, without wearing off the rust which he contracted while he was laying in a stock of learning.

The *short* is, to speak all in a word, the possibility of being found in a falvable state cannot be sufficiently secured, without a possibility of always persevering in it.

To see whole bodies of men breaking a constitution; in *short*, to be encompassed with the greatest dangers from without, to be torn by many virulent factions within, then to be secure and senseless, are the most likely symptoms, in a state, of sickness unto death.

SHORT. *adv.* [It is, I think, only used in composition.] Not long.

Beauty and youth, And sprightly hope and *short*-enduring joy.

One strange draught prescribed by Hippocrates, for a *short*-breathed man, is half a gallon of hydromel, with a little vinegar.

To *SHORTEN*. *v. a.* [from *short*.]

1. To make short, either in time or space.

Because they see it is not generally fit, or possible, that churches should frame thankgivings answerable to each petition, they *shorten* somewhat the reins of their censure.

Would you have been so brief with him, he would Have been so brief with you, to *shorten* you.

For taking so the head, the whole head's length.

To *shorten* its ways to knowledge, and make each perception more comprehensive, it binds them into bundles.

None shall dare With *shorten'd* sword to stab in closer war, But in fair combat.

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War, and luxury's more direful rage, Thy crimes have brought, to *shorten* mortal breath,

With all the numerous family of death.

Whatever *shortens* the fibres, by insinuating themselves into their parts, as water in a rope, contracts.

2. To contract; to abbreviate.

We *shorten'd* days to moments by love's art, Whilst our two souls Perceiv'd no passing time, as if a part

3. To confine; to hinder from progression.

To be known, *shortens* my laid intent; My boon I make it, that you know me not.

Here where the subject is so fruitful, I am *shortened* by my chain, and can only see what is forbidden me to reach.

4. To cut off; to defeat.

The Irish dwell altogether by their sept's, so as they may conspire what they will; whereas if there were English placed among them, they should not be able to stir but that it should be known, and they *shortened* according to their demerits.

5. To lop.

Dishonest with lopp'd arms the youth appears, Spoil'd of his nose, and *shorten'd* of his ears.

SHORTHAND. *n. f.* [from *short* and *hand*.] A method of writing in compendious characters.

Your follies and debauches change With such a whirl, the poets of your age Are tir'd, and cannot score them on the stage,

Unless each vice in *short* and they indite, Ev'n as notcht prentices whole sermons write.

Boys have but little use of *short* hand, and should by no means practise it, till they can write perfectly well.

In *short* hand skill'd, where little marks comprise Whole words, a sentence in a letter lies.

As the language of the face is universal, so 'tis very comprehensive: no laconism can reach it: 'tis the *short* hand of the mind, and crowds a great deal in a little room.

SHORTLIVED. *adj.* [from *short* and *live*.] Not living or lasting long.

Unhappy parent of a *short* liv'd son! Why loads he this embitter'd life with shame?

The joyful *short* liv'd news soon spread around, Took the same train.

Some vices promise a great deal of pleasure in the commission; but then, at best, it is but *short* lived and transient, a sudden flash presently extinguish'd.

The frequent alterations in publick proceedings, the variety of *short* lived favourites that prevailed in their several turns under the government of her successors, have broken us into these unhappy distinctions.

A piercing torment that *short* lived pleasure of your's must bring upon me, from whom you never received any offence.

All those graces The common fate of mortal charms may find; Content our *short* liv'd praises to engage,

The joy and wonder of a single age.

Admiration is a *short* lived passion, that immediately decays upon growing familiar with its object, unless it be still fed with fresh discoveries.

In youth alone its empty praise we boast; But soon the *short* liv'd vanity is lost.

Then palaces shall rise; the joyful son Shall finish what his *short* liv'd fire begun.

SHORTLY. *adv.* [from *short*.]

1. Quickly; soon; in a little time.

I must leave thee, love, and *shortly* too.

Thou art no friend to God, or to the king: Open the gates, or I'll shut thee out *shortly*.

The armies came *shortly* in view of each other.

The time will *shortly* come, wherein you shall more rejoice for that little you have expended for the benefit of others, than in that which by so long toil you shall have saved.

He celebrates the anniversary of his father's funeral, and *shortly* after arrives at Cumæ.

Ev'n he, whose soul now melts in mournful lays, Shall *shortly* want the generous tear he pays.

2. In a few words; briefly.

I could express them more *shortly* this way than in prose, and much of the force, as well as grace of arguments, depends on their conciseness.

SHORTNESS. *n. f.* [from *short*.]

1. The quality of being short, either in time or space.

I'll make a journey twice as far, I enjoy A second night of such sweet *shortness*, which Was mine in Britain.

They move strongest in a right line, which is caused by the *shortness* of the distance.

I will not trouble my readers with the *shortness* of the time in which I writ it.

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May they not justly to our climes upbraid *Shortness* of night, and penury of shade?

2. Fewness of words; brevity; conciseness.

The necessity of *shortness* causeth men to cut off impertinent discourses, and to comprise much matter in few words.

Sir, pardon me in what I have to say, Your plainness and your *shortness* please me well.

3. Want of retention.

Whatever is above these proceedeth of *shortness* of memory, or of want of a stayed attention.

4. Deficiency; imperfection.

Another account of the *shortness* of our reason, and easiness of deception, is the forwardness of our understanding's assent to slightly examined conclusions.

From the instances I had given of human ignorance, to our *shortness* in most things else, 'tis an easy inference.

It may be easily conceived, by any that can allow for the lameness and *shortness* of translations, out of languages and manners of writing differing from ours.

SHORTNESS. *n. f.* [from *short* and *rib*.] The bastard ribs; the ribs below the sternum.

A gentleman was wounded in a duel: the rapier entered into his right side, slanting by his *shortness* under the muscles.

SHORTSIGHTED. *adj.* [from *short* and *sight*.]

1. Unable by the convexity of the eye to see far.

Shortsighted men see remote objects best in old age, and therefore they are accounted to have the most lasting eyes.

2. Unable by intellectual sight to see far.

The foolish and *shortsighted* die with fear That they go no where, or they know not where.

Other propositions were designed for snares to the *short-sighted* and credulous.

SHORTSIGHTEDNESS. *n. f.* [from *short* and *sight*.]

1. Defect of sight, proceeding from the convexity of the eye.

2. Defect of intellectual sight.

Cunning is a kind of *shortsightedness*, that discovers the minutest objects which are near at hand, but is not able to discern things at a distance.

SHORTWAISTED. *adj.* [from *short* and *waist*.] Having a short body.

Duck-legg'd, *shortwaisted*; such a dwarf she is, That the must rise on tip-toes for a kiss.

SHORTWINDED. *adj.* [from *short* and *wind*.] Shortbreathed; asthmatic; breathing by quick and faint reciprocations.

Sure he means brevity in breath; *shortwinded*.

So shaken as we are, so wan with care, Find we a time for frightened peace to pant, And breathe *shortwinded* accents of new broils;

To be commensur'd in strands afar.

With this the Mede *shortwinded* old men eases, And cures the lungs unfavoury diseases.

SHORTWINGED. *adj.* [from *short* and *wing*.] Having short wings.

Hawks are divided into long and short winged.

Shortwing'd, unfit himself to fly, His fear foretold foul weather.

SHORTLY. *adj.* [from *short*.] Lying near the coast.

There is commonly a declivity from the shore to the middle part of the channel, and those *short* parts are generally but some fathoms deep.

SHORT. The preterite and participle passive of *shoot*.

On the other side a pleasant grove Was *shot* up high, full of the stately tree

That dedicated is to Olympick Jove.

Their tongue is as an arrow *shot* out, it speaketh deceit.

The fortifier of Pendennis made his advantage of the commodiousness afforded by the ground, and *shot* rather at a safe preserving the harbour from sudden attempts of little fleets, than to withstand any great navy.

He only thought to crop the flow'rs, New *shot* up from a vernal shower.

From before her vanish'd night, *Shot* through with orient beams.

Sometimes they *shot* out in length like rivers, and sometimes they flew into remote countries in colonics.

The same metal is naturally *shot* into quite different figures, as quite different kinds of them are of the same figure.

Proned on ocean in a moment flung, Stretch'd wide his eager arms, and *shot* the seas along.

SHOT. *n. f.* [from *shoot*, Dutch; from *shoot*.]

1. The act of shooting.

A *shot* unheard gave me a wound unseen.

Proud death! What feast is tow'rd in thy infernal cell, That thou so many princes at a *shot* So bloodily hast struck?

2. The missile weapon emitted by any instrument.

I shall here abide the hourly *shot* Of angry eyes.

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At this booty they were joyful, for that they were supplied thereby with good store of powder and *shot*.

Above one thousand great *shot* were spent upon the walls, without any damage to the garrison.

He caus'd twenty *shot* of his greatest cannon to be made at the king's army.

Impatient to revenge the fatal *shot*, His right hand doubly to his left succeeds.

3. The flight of a shot.

She sat over against him, a good way off, as it were a bow *shot*.

4. [From *shot*, French.] A sum charged; a reckoning.

A man is never welcome to a place, till some certain *shot* be paid, and the hostess say welcome.

As the fund of our pleasure, let each pay his *shot*; Far hence be the sad, the lewd fop, and the sot.

Pipes are sweet a Summer's day; But a little after toying, Women have the *shot* to pay.

He touch'd the pence when others touch'd the pot; The hand that sign'd the mortgage paid the *shot*.

SHOTE. *n. f.* [from *shoot*, Saxon.] A fish.

The *shots*, peculiar to Devonshire and Cornwall, in shape and colour resemble the trout; howbeit, in bigness and goodness cometh far behind him.

SHOTFREE. *adj.* [from *shot* and *free*.] Clear of the reckoning.

Though I could 'scape *shotfree* at London, I fear the shot here: here's no scoring but upon the pate.

SHOTTEN. *adj.* [from *shot*.] Having ejected the spawn.

Go thy ways, old Jack; die when thou wilt, if good marriage be not forgot upon the earth, then am I a *shot* hen.

Ask for what price thy venal tongue was sold! Tough wither'd treuffles, rosy wine, a dish Of *shot* herrings, or stale stinking fish.

To *SHOVE*. *v. a.* [from *shove*, Saxon; *schuven*, Dutch.]

1. To push by main strength.

The hand could pluck her back, that *shov'd* her on.

In the corrupted currents of this world, Offence's gilded hand may *shove* by justice;

And off the wicked prize itself Buys out the law.

I sent your grace The parcels and particulars of our grief, The which hath been with scorn *shov'd* from the court.

Of other care they little reckon make, Than how to scramble at the shearer's feast, And *shove* away the worthy bidden guest.

There the British Neptune stood, Beneath them to submit th' officious flood, And with his trident *shov'd* them off the sand.

Shoving back this earth on which I sit, I'll mount.

A strong man was going to *shove* down St. Paul's cupola.

2. To drive a boat by a pole that reaches to the bottom of the water.

3. To push; to rush against.

He used to *shove* and elbow his fellow-servants to get near his mistress, when money was a-paying or receiving.

Behold a rev'rend fire Crawl through the streets, *shov'd* on or rudely press'd

By his own fons.

You've play'd and lov'd, and eat and drank your fill; Walk sober off, before a sprightlier age

Come tit'ting on, and *shove* you from the stage.

Make nature still incoerce upon his plan, And *shove* him off as far as e'er we can.

Eager to express your love, You ne'er consider whom you *shove*,

But rudely press before a duke.

To *SHOVE*. *v. n.*

1. To push forward before one.

The seamen towed, and I *shoved* 'till we arrived within forty yards of the shore.

2. To move in a boat, not by oars but a pole.

He grasp'd the oar, Receiv'd his guests aboard, and *shov'd* from shore.

SHOVE. *n. f.* [from the verb.] The act of shoving; a push.

I was forced to swim behind, and push the boat forward with one of my hands; and the tide favouring me, I could feel the ground: I rested two minutes, and then gave the boat another *shove*.

SHOVEL. *n. f.* [from *shovel*, Saxon; *schuvel*, Dutch.] An instrument consisting of a long handle and broad blade with raised edges.

A handbarrow, wheelbarrow, *shovel* and spade.

The brag of the Ottoman, that he would throw Malta into the sea, might be performed at an easier rate than by the *shovels* of his Janizaries.